

New Covenant Presbyterian Church - PCA

2525 N. Buckner Blvd., Dallas, TX 75228

www.NCPCDallas.org NCPCDallas@aol.com (214) 321-6435

Song words printed with permission: CCLI #1253513

November 25, 2012

Prelude

Choral Introit

Welcome and Announcements

The Call to Worship

*Hymn No. 557 *In Thanksgiving Let Us Praise Him*

*Invocation

Unison Reading: Selected Verses Philippians 1

Applying God's Word – *We are thankful for the Gospel*

The Anthem

The Doxology

Unison Reading Selected Verses Philippians 2

Applying God's Word - *We are thankful for the life of Christ*

*Hymn No. 561 *We Gather Together*

Offering of Thanks and Praise

Offertory

Unison Reading Selected Verses Philippians 3

Applying God's Word – *We are thankful for the mind of Christ*

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn *Thank you, Lord*

Unison Reading Selected Verses Philippians 4

Applying God's Word – *We are thankful for the heart of Christ*

Song of Response

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction No. 1 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* (4)

*Postlude

COME, YE THANKFUL PEOPLE

Summary of Philippians

We are thankful for:

- I. The **gospel of Jesus Christ**: *it determines my actions* (ch. 1)
 - A. The Gospel results in **thankfulness** (3-6)
 - B. The Gospel frees me to **love** (7-8)
 - C. The Gospel drives me to **pray** (for love, discernment, and righteous fruit) (9-11)
 - D. The Gospel helps me face life's **challenges** (12-26)
 - E. The Gospel **unites, edifies, and endures.** (27-30)

- II. The **life of Jesus Christ**: *my motivation /my will* (ch. 2)
 - A. I am motivated to live in **unity** (1-4)
 - B. I am motivated to live **sacrificially** (5-11)
 - C. I am motivated to live **differently** (12-18)

- III. The **mind of Jesus Christ**: *transforms my thoughts.* (ch. 3)
 - A. I can **rejoice** in the Lord (3:1)
 - B. I can place all my **confidence** in Christ. (Not in self) (3:7-11)
 - C. I can **grow** – becoming more like Christ (every day) (12-16)
 - D. I have **hope** – Looking forward to Christ's return (17-21)

- IV. The **heart of Jesus Christ**: *produces inner peace.* (ch. 4)
 - A. **Unity** – Jesus Christ prayed for our unity. (1-3)
 - B. **Internal Peace** – Have the Peace of God. (4-7)
 - C. **External Peace** – Know the God of Peace. (8-9)
 - D. **Contentment** – I can do all things through Christ (10-13)
 - E. **Generosity** – We can share with others. (14-20)
“..God will meet all your needs..”

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

Prelude
Choral Introit
Welcome and Announcements
The Call to Worship

*Hymn No. 557 *In Thanksgiving Let Us Praise Him*

From the first bright light of morning, To the last warm glow of dusk;
Every breath we take is sacred, For it is God's gift to us.
*In thanksgiving, let us praise Him; In thanksgiving let us sing
Songs of praise and adoration, To our gracious Lord, and King.*

In the season of our plenty. In the season of our need;
We will find His grace sufficient, We will find His love complete.
*In thanksgiving, let us praise Him; In thanksgiving let us sing
Songs of praise and adoration, To our gracious Lord, and King.*

Safe within His hand that guides us, Hidden in His healing wings;
Day by day His love provides us – Every good and perfect thing.
*In thanksgiving, let us praise Him; In thanksgiving let us sing
Songs of praise and adoration, To our gracious Lord, and King.*

*Invocation

Unison Reading: Selected Verses Philippians 1

L: ³ I thank my God every time I remember you.

A: ⁴ **In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵
because of your partnership in the gospel from the first
day until now,**

L: ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in
you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ
Jesus.

A: ²¹ **For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.**

Applying God's Word – *We are thankful for the Gospel*

The Anthem

The Doxology

Unison Reading Selected Verses Philippians 2

L: If you have any encouragement from being united with
Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with
the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my
joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love,
being one in spirit and purpose.

A: ³ **Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in
humility consider others better than yourselves. ⁴ Each of
you should look not only to your own interests, but also to
the interests of others.**

L: ¹³ for it is God who works in you to will and to act according
to his good purpose.

A: ¹⁴ **Do everything without complaining or arguing, ¹⁵ so that
you may become blameless and pure, children of God
without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, ...**

L: ¹⁰ I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and
the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him
in his death, ¹¹ and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection
from the dead.

Applying God's Word - *We are thankful for the life of Christ*

*Hymn No. 561

We Gather Together

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
He chastens and hastens His will to make known.
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing:
Sing praises to His name—He forgets not His own.

Beside us to aide us, our God with us joining,
Ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine.
So from the beginning the fight we were winning:

Thou, Lord, wast at our side—all glory be Thine!

We all do extol Thee, Thou Leader triumphant,
And pray that Thou still our defender wilt be;
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation:
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

Offering of Thanks and Praise
Offertory

Unison Reading Selected Verses Philippians 3

L: ¹³ Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead,

A: ¹⁴ **I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.**

L: ¹⁶ Only let us live up to what we have already attained.

Applying God's Word – *We are thankful for the mind of Christ*

Pastoral Prayer
Hymn

Thank you, Lord

Thank You, Lord, for saving my soul,
Thank You, Lord, for making me whole;
Thank You, Lord, for giving to me
Thy great salvation so rich and free.

Unison Reading Selected Verses Philippians 4

L: ⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.

A: ⁶ **Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.** ⁷ **And the peace of God, which**

transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

L: ⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. ⁹ Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

A: ¹² **I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want.** ¹³ **I can do everything through him who gives me strength.**

L: ¹⁹ And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

Applying God's Word – *We are thankful for the heart of Christ*

Song of Response

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction No. 1 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee (4)

Mortals, join the mighty chorus which the morning stars began;
father-love is reigning o'er us; brother-love binds man to man.
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife;
joyful music lifts us sunward in the triumph song of life.

*Postlude